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SUBJECT: AMERICAN CITIZEN PRISONERS

REF: STATE 161313

1. I CALLED ON MINISTER OF INTERIOR PEREDA MORNING JULY 13 AND EXPRESSED USG AND EMB APPRECIATION FOR HIS ASSISTANCE WITH U.S. PRISONER CASES, ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD TO ROLE OF FISCALES AND MINISTRY'S INTERVENTION TO GET THEM MOVING QUICKLY. AFTER NOTING LA PAZ COURTS REOPENING JULY 11, I POINTED OUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROMPT ACTION, E.G., RODENBERG CASE SUPREME COURT REVIEW COMPLETED, FOUR CASES INVOLVING NINE PRISONERS ALREADY SENTENCED BY LOWER COURT AND IN HANDS SUPERIOR COURT FOR REVIEW, AND EXPRESSED HOPE WE COULD CONTINUE TO COUNT ON MINISTER'S SUPPORT AND COOPERATION IN CONTINUED PROMPT MOVEMENT OF JUDICIAL PROCEDURES.

2. MINISTER SAID HE WAS HIMSELF VERY PLEASED AT PROGRESS WHICH HAD BEEN MADE BEFORE COURT RECESS. HE SAID EMBASSY COULD BE ASSURED, AND SHOULD INFORM DEPT, THAT GOB, AND HIS MINISTRY INTERIOR AND JUSTICE IN PARTICULAR, WOULD CONTINUE

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TO ACCELERATE JUDICIAL PROCESSES IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY. HE URGED THAT EMBASSY REMAIN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH SUB-SECRETARY OF JUSTICE BALLIVIAN AND INFORM HIM OF ANY PROBLEMS. (EMBASSY HAS BEEN DOING THIS AS MATTER OF COURSE.)

3. WITH REGARD TO ELIMINATION OF SUPREME COURT REVIEW FROM CURRENT NARCOTICS TRIAL PROCEDURES, PEREDA SAID THAT

HE HAD INTRODUCED SUCH A PROPOSAL AT THE SUCRE JUDICIAL SYSTEM SEMINAR THE WEEK OF JUNE 20. HE THOUGH THAT ACTION COULD BE TAKEN PROMPTLY BUT DID NOT MAKE ANY ESTIMATES AS TO THE TIME REQUIRED FOR A DECREE TO BE APPROVED AND PROMULGATED. HE DID, HOWEVER, SAY HE WOULD GIVE THE MATTER HIS PERSONAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE VISIT OF THE URUGUAYAN MINISTER OF INTERIOR WHO IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE THE EVENING OF JULY 13. PEREDA SAID THAT UNFORTUNATELY HE WOULD BE TIED UP WITH THE URUGUAYAN UNTIL MONDAY, JULY 18. MEANWHILE, HE SAID, I SHOULD REMIND SECRETARY BALLIVIAN OF THIS MATTER, WHICH I WILL DO JULY 13 IF I CAN REACH BALLIVIAN.

4. IN CONCLUDING CONVERSATION I MENTIONED PROBLEM OF SUSAN SCANLAN AT SANTA CRUZ IN ORDER TO ALERT THE MINISTER OF THE STATE OF HER HEALTH AND TO ASK FOR ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING FEMALE GUARDS FOR MISS SCANLAN AT THE HOSPITAL. BEAL

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